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SUMMARY: PRESS HEADLINES CARTER'S REITERATION THAT
ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS ILLEGAL AND IN CONTRAVENTION GENEVA
CONVENTION AS WELL AS PRESIDENT'S AFFIRMATION HE AND SADAT ,
HAVE IDENTICAL VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST. EGYPTIANS REJECT
INCLUSION SETTLEMENT ISSUE IN POLITICAL SUBCOMMITTEE;
PREPARE FOR JERUSALEM ON BASIS GOE PROPOSED AGENDA:
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WITHDRAWAL, PALESTINIAN QUESTION AND NATURE OF PEACE.
QUESTION OF COMPENSATION FOR ISRAELI EXPLOITATION OF
SINAI TO BE DELAYED; EGYPT WILL NOT CONSIDER PAYING
ISRAEL FOR DISMANTLEMENT SETTLEMENTS AND MILITARY IN-
STALLATIONS. FONMIN KAMEL AND BUTROS GHALI WILL ALTERNATE
CHAIRING EGYPTIAN DELEGATION. END SUMMARY.

1. AGENDA. PRESS JAN 13 REPORTS FONMIN KAMEL PREVIOUS DAY PRESENTED AMBASSADOR EGYPT'S LATEST PROPOSED AGENDA FOR POLITICAL SUBCOMMITTEE. EGYPT REPORTEDLY REJECTED INCLUSION OF SETTLEMENT ISSUE SINCE THIS BEING ADDRESSED BY MILITARY IN ANY CASE, PAPERS NOTE SETTLEMENTS WILL BE IRRELEVANT FOLLOWING WITHDRAWAL "FROM SINAI AND THE OCCUPIED ARAB TERRITORIES."

2. EGYPTIAN DELEGATION. PRESIDENT ISSUED DECREE FORMALLY ESTABLISHING EGYPTIAN DELEGATION TO JERUSALEM. PRESS NOTED FONMIN KAMEL AND MFA MINSTATE BUTROS GHALI WILL ALTERNATE IN CHAIRING DELEGATION, WHICH ALSO INCLUDES UN PERMREP ABDEL MEGUID AND MFA UNDERSECRETARY AL-BAZ. SADAT WILL MEET WITH DEL IMMEDIATELY BEFORE DEPARTURE.

3. DOCUMENTATION. "RESPONSIBLE EGYPTIAN SOURCE" TOLD PRESS DELEGATION HAS COMPLETED STUDIES ON:

(A) WITHDRAWAL. TOTAL WITHDRAWAL FROM ALL ARAB TERRITORIES INCLUDING WEST BANK AND GAZA STRIP;

(B) PALESTINIAN QUESTION. EGYPTIAN SIDE HAS ASSEMBLED ASSORTMENT OF HISTORICAL AND LEGAL DOCUMENTS DEALING WITH PALESTINIAN ISSUE INCLUDING UN RESOLUTIONS, PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF VARIOUS COUNTRIES, STATEMENTS MADE BY EC MEMBERS, USG, NON-ALIGNED STATES, AFRICAN STATES AND ARAB UNCLASSIFIED

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LEAGUE;

(C) NATURE OF PEACE. INCLUDES EGYPT'S PROPOSALS ON GUARANTEES, INTERNATIONAL FORCES, DEMILITARIZED ZONES, AND NAVIGATION OF TERRITORIAL AND INTERNATIONAL WATERS.

4. SAME SOURCE INDICATED EGYPT WILL NOT RAISE QUESTION OF COMPENSATION FOR ISRAELI EXPLOITATION OF SINAI RESOURCES AT INITIAL STAGE. THIS WILL BE DELAYED UNTIL AGREEMENT REACHED ON AGENDA AND PRINCIPLES OF PEACE. EGYPT WILL NOT AGREE TO DISCUSS COMPENSATION TO ISRAEL FOR DISMANTLING SETTLEMENTS AND MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN SINAI SINCE THESE ARE "ILLEGAL".

5. CARTER'S PRESS CONFERENCE. PRESIDENT CARTER'S JAN 12 PRESS CONFERENCE STATEMENT THAT ISRAELI SETTLEMENTS ILLEGAL AND IN CONTRAVENTION GENEVA CONVENTION HEADLINED ALL PAPERS. PRESIDENT'S REFERENCES TO ISRAELI ACCEPTANCE UN RESOLUTIONS 242 AND 338, WHICH STIPULATE WITHDRAWAL FROM OCCUPIED TERRITORY, ALSO TREATED PROMINENTLY AS WAS PRESIDENT'S AFFIRMATION THAT HE AND SADAT HAVE "IDENTICAL VIEWS ON MIDDLE EAST SETTLEMENT." PRESS

NOTED LESS CONSPICUOUSLY PRESIDENT CARTER'S STATEMENT
THAT "IT IS NOT FOR ME TO DECIDE ON THE SPECIFICS OF AN
ULTIMATE SETTLEMENT." EILTS

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